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**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE
ON
WORKFORCE AND TALENT DEVELOPMENT**

Tuesday, March 21, 2017 9:00 a.m. Room 326 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Workforce and Talent Development was called to order by the Chair.

Members present: Reps. Frederick, Kahle, Crawford, Iden, Leutheuser, Wentworth, Love, Geiss, Scott.

Absent/Excused: None

Representative Wentworth moved to adopt the minutes of March 14, 2017. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 4315 before the committee:

HB 4315 (Griffin) Education; curriculum; 21st century skills credit requirements for high school diploma; provide for.

Rep. Griffin testified in support of her bill. Representative Griffin was joined by Scott Starkweather, Technology Center Director, Robert Smith, Administrator for Guidance, Placement, and CTE Programming, and Bill Semrau, Instructor and robotics coach, of the Van Buren Intermediate School District to testify in support of the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

The Chair laid HB 4181 before the committee:

HB 4181 (Roberts) Education; counseling; requirements for employment as a school counselor; revise.

The following people submitted cards in support of House Bill 4181 but did not wish to speak: Ben Williams, College Boards.

Jerry Johnson, Barry, Branch, Calhoun, Jackson, Lenawee, and Monroe Intermediate School Districts.

Rebecca Park, Michigan Farm Bureau.

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Representative Iden moved to adopt substitute H-1. The motion prevailed 9-0-0

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Frederick, Kahle, Crawford, Iden, Leutheuser, Wentworth, Love, Geiss, Scott.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

Representative Iden moved to report House Bill 4181 with recommendation as substituted (H-1).
The motion prevailed 9-0-0

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Frederick, Kahle, Crawford, Iden, Leutheuser, Wentworth, Love, Geiss, Scott.
Nays: None.
Pass: None.

The Chair laid HB 4316 before the committee:

HB 4316 (VanderWall) Education; curriculum; foreign language and certain other requirements for high school diploma; modify.

Representative VanderWall testified in support of his bill. Questions and discussion followed.

The Chair laid HB 4317 before the committee:

HB 4317 (Hauck) Education; curriculum; Michigan occupational safety and health administration (MIOSHA) safety training; allow as alternative to health credit requirement for high school diploma under certain circumstances.

Representative Hauck and Dan Murphy, President of MAG Insulation, testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

The Chair laid HB 4318 before the committee:

HB 4318 (Howell) Education; curriculum; mathematics requirement for Michigan merit curriculum; revise.

Representative Howell testified in support of his bill. Questions and discussion followed.

The **Chair** returned to HB 4315, 4316, 4317, and continued on with HB 4318.

Allie Bush on behalf of the Grand Rapids Chamber of Commerce testified in support of House Bills 4315 and 4316. Representative Griffin joined her to answer questions from committee members. Questions and discussion followed.

Jeff Wiggins on behalf of the Associated Builders and Contractors of Michigan testified in support of House Bills 4315, 4316, 4317, and 4318. Questions and discussion followed.

Jennifer Goulet, President and CEO, testified and provided written testimony on behalf of Creative Many Michigan in opposition to House Bills 4315, 4316, 4317, and 4318. Questions and discussion followed.

Chris Glass and Randy Lindquist testified on behalf of the West Michigan Talent Triangle in support of House Bills 4315 and 4316.

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Mike Johnston testified and submitted written testimony on behalf of the Michigan Manufacturers Association in support of House Bills 4315, 4316, and 4317.

Matt Mincieli, Executive Director for the Northeast Region, submitted written testimony on behalf of TechNet in support of House Bill 4315.

Jeff Jennette, Superintendent, submitted written testimony on behalf of the Wexford-Missaukee Intermediate School District and the Manistee Intermediate School District in support of House Bills 4315, 4316, 4317, and 4318.

Dr. Julie Foss, Public Affairs Liaison, submitted written testimony on behalf of the Michigan World Language Association in opposition to House Bills 4315 and 4316.

The following people submitted cards in support of House Bills 4315, 4316, 4317, and 4318 but did not wish to speak:

Kathleen Merry, Wayne RESA

Dawn Crandall, Home Builders Association of Michigan

Wendy Block submitted a card on behalf of the Michigan Chamber of Commerce in support of House Bill 4315 but did not wish to speak.

Lisa Hansknecht submitted cards on behalf of the Oakland School District in support of House Bills 4315, 4316, and 4318 but did not wish to speak.

Emily Laidlaw submitted a card on behalf of the ESA Legislative Group in support of House Bills 4315, 4316, and 4318 but did not wish to speak.

The following people submitted cards in opposition to House Bill 4317 but did not wish to speak:

Bob Kefgen, Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals

Lisa Hansknecht, Oakland School District

Lindsay Case Palsiok submitted a card on behalf of the Detroit Regional Chamber in opposition to House Bill 4318 but did not wish to speak.

Dr. Kari Selleck of Owosso Public Schools submitted a card in support of House Bill 4318.

There being no further business before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

Representative Ben Frederick, Chair_____

Ian Mays, Committee Clerk

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